

DAILY MAGAZINE PAGE FOR EVERYBODY

To Be a Young Mother Is a Beautiful Thing

By Winifred Black. SHE didn't know she was an example, but she was a living example of the fun of being a mother when you're young.



Every time any one tells me that the nation is going to the dogs, and that the modern American woman is a cross between a fool and a wanton, I'm going to shut my eyes and see that young mother, and her baby, and her pets, and her friends—and take heart of grace.

Just a Mother. She isn't a day over twenty—not a day—and she doesn't look an hour over sixteen, and she's as pretty as a picture, and as sweet as a peach, and as good as gold, and as happy as a lark, and the heart of her husband delights in her—and well it may.

TIMES BEDTIME STORY



PICNIC MANNERS.

By FLORENCE E. YODER. WHENEVER the Tabby children could they had a picnic all to themselves, and that was not so often, for there were always so many other folks who wanted to go along.

Lincoln Circle Boasts It Never Asks Money Aid in Carrying on Charities

Notable Service Performed by Organization Along Both Philanthropic and Patriotic Lines.

Soldiers' Widows and Children Helped—No Legitimate Appeal Ever Rejected in Years of Work.

A patriotic and philanthropic organization which has performed notable service along both lines, and which has included in its membership many of the best known women in Washington, is the Lincoln Circle, Ladies of the G. A. R.

A consistent rule of this organization has been to ask no outside aid in its work, and all the cases it has cared for have been financed by members of the circle.

Recently this circle became affiliated with the District Federation of Women's Clubs, and it plans to widen its activities to take part in the general campaign of reforms by the federation.

By J. R. HILDEBRAND.

For more than nine years the Lincoln Circle, Ladies of the G. A. R., has carried on notable patriotic and philanthropic work in Washington without making a single appeal for outside assistance. The circle prides itself on the fact that its members have always been able to meet any demand for assistance from their own resources.

Since its organization the circle has taken care of one army nurse, and for the past two years has supported another. Its record of assistance given to soldiers, their families, and especially their children is a long one. It paid for an operation for cataract in the eye of a daughter of one soldier. It has helped soldiers' widows and soldiers' children through times of illness and need.

Clara Barton Was Member.

Since its organization the circle has included among its members many notable Washington women.

Clara Barton was one of its members when she died. Mrs. Corneilia Avery and Mrs. Mary Sitzer-Parker were the organizers. Since that time Mrs. Clara Barton, Mrs. W. T. Sherman League of the G. A. R. and the William McKinley Circle have been elected the first president.

Mrs. Mary Sitzer-Parker was chosen president of the Lincoln Circle. Mrs. Parker long has been known in Washington as an accomplished musician. She is also widely known as a writer and correspondent, and took the part of the National Society of the Children of the G. A. R. Another well-known member of the organization is Mrs. Vinnie Ream Hoxie. Mrs. Hoxie was the sculptor chosen to execute the



MRS. HELEN NELSON DOOCY.

Life-size statue of Abraham Lincoln now in the United States Capitol. Mrs. Hoxie now is working on a commission from Iowa for a statue of Gov. Samuel Kirkwood, and from Oklahoma for a statue of Sequoyia, both to be placed in the Capitol. She also made the statue of Admiral Farragut, which stands in Farragut Square.

Conduct Patriotic Exercises.

Before the statue of Lincoln yearly, on the Sunday before May 30, the Lincoln Circle holds patriotic exercises. Speakers of national note usually have delivered the orations on these occasions. Senators Reed Smoot and Miles Poindexter, Congressman Graham, Morgan, and Carter, and Judge William De Witt have been among those who have heard in recent years. The circle also decorates the statue of Lincoln on each May 30.

Other early members of the society were Mrs. Florence Adouin McComas, Mrs. Martha D. Lincoln, better known as "Beesie Beech," and Mrs. Milda Pebody, and Mrs. Charles Bennett Smith. The circle meets monthly at the home

MRS. CHARLES BENNETT SMITH. MRS. VINNIE REAM HOXIE.

of its president, Mrs. Hoxie, at 182 K Street. Last December it became affiliated with the District Federation of Women's Clubs. The present officers of the circle are Mrs. Hoxie, president; Mrs. Jeanne Harvey Street, senior vice president; Mrs. Helen Nelson Doocy, junior vice president; Miss Emily Glennan, recording secretary; Miss Nellie Colclazier, treasurer; Miss Rebecca Chapman, chaplain; Mrs. Mary Sitzer-Parker, pianist; Mrs. Sarah Decker, conductor; Mrs. Milda Pebody, and Mrs. Corneilia Avery, guards; Mrs. Anna Peck, patriotic instructor; and Mrs. Doocy, press representative.

PETER'S ADVENTURES IN MATRIMONY

By LEONA DALRYMPLE. Author of the new novel, "Diary of the Green Van," awarded a prize of \$10,000 by Ida M. Tarbell and S. S. McClure as judges.

A NEW TOY. Extreme phases have dangerous possibilities. How long would Mary's fond of thorough housekeeping last? First on the list, Mary began to buy housekeeping books. I found them piled up on her desk one night in business-like heaps.

Children Cry for Fletcher's CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought has borne the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher, and has been made under his personal supervision for over 30 years. Allow no one to deceive you in this. Counterfeits, imitations and "just-as-good" are but experiments, and endanger the health of Children—Experience against Experiment.

Secrets of Health and Happiness

How Stockings Cause Corns and Other Ills

By Dr. LEONARD KEENE HIRSHBERG, A. B., M. A., M. D. (Johns Hopkins).

No one should wear stockings. This is said with no intention to shock any one, to hurt any one's feelings or to be sensational. It is a simple straightforward, dignified truth. It is supported not only by the discoveries of the laboratory and the dictates of bacteriology, but it is plainly a correct command and phase from common sense.

If stockings were originally worn, as it is said, in order to protect mankind from pneumonia, influenza or the legion of maladies blamed upon cold, such use of them can no longer be justified, because even in the dead of winter all who can afford to do so—for these are the expensive kind—wear stockings so thin that they are as good as none. Moreover, if stockings are merely worn from modesty to cover nude ankles, certainly it is more in accord with modesty and delicacy to show the naked skin than the dangerous necessity of wearing stockings of the day.

Let it be said for the nonce that and upon the boulevards without this stockings serve no good purpose whatsoever. They are, perhaps, like vases, urns, and gargoyles, inclined to be a bit decorative. They are not, however, either useful or decent; neither decorous nor delicate.

If socks and stockings were discarded the flesh of the legs would become firm and resistant to the weavings of bacteria germs would lose every chance of foothold, and local sores and infections would be reduced to a minimum.

Not only would "wet feet" be relatively harmless and "cold" almost a thing of the past, but the chilling of the calves—but varicose veins and similar disturbances, which come from tight stockings, would be reduced to the limbo of forgotten things.

There is no doubt that many corns, bunions and other disorders of the lower extremities would remain unborn if leg coverings were discarded.

Among the ancient Greeks and Persians, who wore nothing over their anatomy of these parts, as well as the Mussulmans, no corns, bunions or other ailments were known. Moderns, who are so fond of their stockings, are comparatively unobserved.

There is no doubt that the direction in which the modern world is moving in fashion are driving it toward the abolition of these poison, dirt, and germ carriers. Surely the woman who is a social whirl by parading itself at dances

Advice to Girls

By ANNIE LAURIE.

Dear Annie Laurie: My girl friend and I feel sure you can explain something to us, as we don't quite understand it.

We are not so terribly looking, and I feel sure that we are nice to all our friends, and yet we can't get a nice man to go around with us, whereas other girls who are ugly, and some rather bold and loud in their manner, always seem to get a real nice man.

Now, can you tell us why this is? CHUMS.

DEAR CHUMS: How I wish I could all sit down together and have a nice comfy talk. We'd talk about books and flowers, and songs we liked, and people we love, and beaux that are just beaux, and real sweethearts, and what's the difference between them.

Don't fret about the men; probably they're afraid of you. Some men like to amuse themselves with girls who are easy to know and easy to forget. You don't want that sort of attention, do you? Go on as you are, being nice, agreeable, intelligent girls. Don't fret about the men. The right sort of man will appear on his own when it is fitted for him, and then how glad you'll be that

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